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NEW POST/TELEGRAPH OFFICES
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to establish new post and telegraph offices and telephone exchanges with STD facility during 2004-05 in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Opening of Post offices is an ongoing activity and they are opened subject to fulfilment of population, distance and financial norms in this regard and subject to availability of resources. Hence the details of all locations for opening post offices in the current year are yet to be firmed up.

There i s no proposal to open new Telegraph Offices in Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. In Madhya Pradesh four Telephone Exchanges with STD facility are proposed during 2004- 05 as given below:

Name of Place	Date of opening/DELs provided	Type of exchange installed/proposed and capacity	Media used/ proposed
Kakalya 55	01-04-04/DELs	256 C-DOT RAX Cap. 152 lines	Optical Fibre Cable
Goraiya	To be opened	256 C-DOT RAX Cap. 152 lines	Optical Fibre Cable
Mada	To be opened	256 C-DOT RAX Cap. 152 lines	Optical Fibre Cable
Patpar	To be opened	256 C-DOT RAX Cap. 152 lines	Optical Fibre Cable

There i s n o proposal for opening o f new telephone exchanges in Chhattisgarh during 2004-05. However, there is proposal for expansion of 27,000 lines capacity wired lines, 13,500 lines capacity Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) and 50,000 lines capacity of Cellular Mobile telephones.